CHAPTER NO. 812

HOUSE BILL NO. 3562

By Representatives Odom, Sherry Jones, West, Langster, Sontany, Harwell, Pruitt, Mike Turner, Moore, Briley

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3682

By Senator Harper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 33 and Title 68, relative to a pilot project for behavioral health services in certain counties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The department of mental health and developmental disabilities shall, in conjunction with community mental health providers, service recipients and family members and other appropriate state and local agencies, recommend options for access to non-emergency behavioral health services for individuals in the state who are uninsured. Such recommended options must take into account access to behavioral health services through other resources such as TennCare, Medicare, other state sponsored insurance or services programs and locally sponsored or donated services and supports.

SECTION 2. The department of mental health and developmental disabilities must report recommended options to the House Health and Human Resources Committee and the Senate Health and Welfare Committee by November 20, 2006.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 17, 2006

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 2nd day of June 2006

PHIL BREDESEN GOVERNOR